



City of Seattle

Preliminary Assessment Report

Project 005244-19PA, 8015 MARY AVE NW

Assessment Completed: 10/11/2019

Project Description: Construct 8 townhouse units with surface parking. Existing building to be removed. Future Unit Lot Subdivision.

Primary Applicant: [Justin Kliewer](#)

This report lists the results of a preliminary assessment of your project requirements by various city departments. It's based on the project characteristics described on your site plan and preliminary application form. If your project required a pre-application site visit (PASV), the results of that site visit are also included. The goal of this report is to help you create a complete submittal package and reduce the need for corrections once your application has been submitted.

Next Steps

1. Review the requirements in this report and contact the staff members listed below with questions.
2. If a street improvement plan is required, develop and submit it to the Seattle Department of Transportation (SDOT). **The Seattle Department of Construction and Inspections (SDCI) will not accept your permit application until your street improvement plan is approved as 60% complete by SDOT. See [SDOT Client Assistance Memo 2213](#) for guidance about the 60% complete approval process.**
3. Schedule an appointment for permit application intake with SDCI. **Please bring a copy of this report to your intake appointment.**

Questions About This Report

If you have questions about the information in this report, contact the appropriate city staff member for each section.

SDCI Drainage Requirements

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SDCI Land Use Requirements

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Seattle Department of Transportation Requirements

No Contact Assigned

Seattle Public Utilities Requirements

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Water Availability

Seattle Public Utilities Drainage/Sewer Availability Requirements

Other Resources

- General questions about the permit process: Contact the SDCI Applicant Services Center (ASC) at 206-684-8850.
- User-friendly guides to city permitting processes: [SDCI](#) and [SDOT](#).
- [Detailed zoning information](#).
- Visit our [permit type pages](#) for step-by-step instructions and forms for preparing your application and plans for review.

Requirements

SDCI Drainage Requirements

The following requirements are based on the current stormwater and side sewer codes.

The new 2016 Stormwater Code becomes effective on January 1, 2016. Projects with an accepted application (successful SDCI permit intake) date after December 31, 2015 will be reviewed under the new code. The drainage requirements indicated below are based on the 2016 Stormwater Code. If your project will be submitted prior to January 1, 2016, please contact the SDCI Drainage Reviewer to determine drainage requirements.

Existing Public Drainage Infrastructure

Combined sewer main location: **Mary Ave NW**

Combined sewer main size: **10-inch**

Drainage

Infiltration Investigation Required: Yes

Projects that require On-site Stormwater Management, Flow Control, and/or Water Quality Treatment must first investigate infiltration feasibility before selecting other BMP's. See Seattle Stormwater Manual, Volume 3, Section 3.2 and Appendix D to determine infiltration feasibility. If feasible, infiltration testing per the requirements in Appendix D is required prior to application. Submit a completed Infiltration Checklist with the construction permit application. Checklists are available on the SDCI Stormwater Code website.
<http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/codesrules/codes/stormwater/default.htm>

Please note: projects that infiltrate 5,000 square feet or more of impervious surface area must conduct Groundwater Monitoring for a full wet season or one full year if infiltrating 10,000 square feet or more of impervious surface area. See Table 3.1 in Section 3.2.

Project Type and Drainage Basin

The storm drainage point of discharge ([SMC 22.805.020](#)) is located at: **Public Combined Sewer Main**

Project Type: **Parcel-based**

Drainage Basin: **Public combined sewer**

Drainage Control Compliance

Drainage Review Required: Yes

Drainage Control Review is required for this project per [SMC 22.807.020](#). Submit a completed **Standard Construction Stormwater Control and Post Construction Soil Management (CSC/SOIL) Plan** and a completed **Standard Drainage and Wastewater Control (DWC) Plan** including the **Site and Drainage Control Summary** from [On-site Stormwater Management Calculator](#).

Note: For projects with 5,000 square feet or more of new plus replaced hard surface, a comprehensive drainage control plan, construction stormwater control plan, soil amendment plan, and drainage report shall be prepared by a licensed engineer.

Soil Amendment Required: Yes

All new, replaced, and disturbed topsoil shall be amended with organic matter per rules promulgated by the Director prior to completion of the project to improve onsite management of drainage water flow and water quality per [SMC 22.805.030.A](#), [SMC 22.805.040.A](#), or [SMC 22.805.050.A](#). Complete the **Post Construction Soil Management Plan** on the [Standard CSC/SOIL Plan](#).

On-site Stormwater Management Required: Yes

Parcel-based projects with 7,000 square feet or more of land disturbing activity, 1,500 square feet or more of new plus replaced hard surface or, if on a lot or parcel created or reduced in size on or after January 1, 2016, 750 square feet or more of new plus replaced hard surface, must implement **On-site Stormwater Management** (infiltration, dispersion, bioretention, green roofs, permeable pavement, rainwater harvesting, etc.) to manage runoff from all hard surfaces on-site per SMC 22.805.050.B. and Director's Rule 21-2015.

Submit an [On-site Stormwater Management Calculator](#) and show the On-site Stormwater Management BMP's and surface designation on the [Standard Drainage and Wastewater Control Plan](#).

Flow Control Required: No*

Based on the information provided, adherence to Flow Control Standards is not required for this project.

*Note: if groundwater will be discharged to the public drainage system, Flow Control may be required. Projects which propose to permanently discharge groundwater shall comply with Minimum Requirements for Discharges to a Capacity-constrained System, SMC Section 22.805.050.A.6 and SMC Section 22.805.060.A.6.

Water Quality

No requirements

Wastewater

The wastewater point of discharge (SMC 21.16.070.B) is located at **Public Combined Sewer**.

King County Capacity Charge: All homeowners and building owners in King County's service area (i.e. all Seattle Public Utility Combined and Sanitary Sewers) whose home or building was connected, reconnected or had a new service established to a sewage facility served by King County on or after Feb. 1, 1990 must pay a [King County Capacity Charge](#). (King County Code No. 28.84.050.0.1)

Permanent and Temporary Dewatering

Approved Point of Discharge for Sub-surface Drainage (e.g. footing drains, sub-surface wall drains, underslab drains, etc.): Public Combined Sewer Main.

Permanent Groundwater Dewatering to a Combined Sewer

Per SMC 22.805.050.C.7, parcel-based projects that will permanently discharge groundwater to a public drainage system or to a public combined sewer (e.g. the subsurface footing drains or wall drains will extend into a saturated groundwater zone) shall also comply with subsection SMC 22.805.080.B.4 (Peak Control Standard) if the total new plus replaced hard surface is 2,000 square feet or more.

In addition, Permanent Groundwater discharge to [Combined Sewers](#), regardless of the flowrate, must be metered and billed by SPU through the SPU Sewer Submeter Program. Contact the [SPU Sewer Submeter Program office](#) at (206) 684-5089 to determine the required meter type, installation location and billing.

Please show and call out the meter required by SPU on the Drainage and Wastewater Control Plans and add a note indicating "Contact the SPU Sewer Submeter Program at (206) 684-5089 to schedule a pre-installation site visit and, after installation, an inspection prior to building occupancy."

Side Sewer

Connections to Existing Side Sewers

The existing side sewer for a new or converted building or dwelling unit may be reused if the requirements of SMC 21.16.240 are met.

If there is an increase of dwelling units or buildings, the [Side Sewer Evaluation and Certification Form](#) must be completed by a licensed engineer and **the side sewer will typically require rehabilitation (e.g. pipe lining)** as directed by Section V.M of the [Requirements for Design and Construction of Side Sewers \(Drainage and Wastewater Discharges\) Director's Rule DPD 4-2011/SPU 2011-004](#).

SDCI Land Use Code Requirements

Street Requirements

Based on the scope of the proposed project, the following street improvements are required per Chapter 23.53 of the Seattle Municipal Code. Please review Right-of-Way Improvements Manual for design criteria (<http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/rowimanual/manual/>). Show required street improvements on your "enhanced site plan" at SDCI permit application intake. If an SDOT Street Improvement Plan (SIP) is required, please list SDOT project number and SDOT contact name on the enhanced site plan. Street Improvement Plans must be accepted by SDOT prior to SDCI permit application intake.

MARY AVE NW

Based on the documents provided, no street improvements are required per [SMC 23.53.015](#) and [SMC 23.53.006](#).

Street Trees are required to meet Land Use Code Requirements for this project. Please see the SDOT portion of this PAR to view these requirements.

Any planting proposed within the ROW must be reviewed and approved by SDCI and SDOT.

Alley Requirements

West of site

Based on the submitted documents, no alley improvements are required per [SMC 23.53.030](#).

Land Use

Based on the project scope, SEPA may be required. See DPD Director's Rule 7-2018, [State Environmental Policy Act \(SEPA\) Exemptions From Environmental Review Requirements When Establishing, Changing or Expanding A Use](#) for more details.

It appears that your project will require Design Review. A pre-submittal conference will be required. Please see [SMC 23.41](#) for more information about Design Review.

For Full and Administrative Design Reviews, see Tip 238, [Design Review: General Information, Application Instructions, and Submittal Requirements](#).

For Streamlined Design Review, see Tip 238B, [Streamlined Design Review: General Information, Application Instructions, and Submittal Requirements](#).

You will receive an email from the Department of Neighborhoods regarding the community outreach requirement associated with Design Review. The email will direct you to an attachment on your project on the [Seattle Services Portal](#).

Other Requirements

Based on the preliminary scope of the project, DPD recommends a presubmittal conference prior to submitting an application. Details for preparing and submitting a presubmittal conference request form can be found at our Web site (http://www.seattle.gov/dpd/Publications/Forms/Building_Permit/default.asp).

Pre-Application Site Visit (PASV) Requirements

PASV report requirements may be subject to additions, changes, or modifications by the department. The purpose of the report is to alert the applicant that there may be unusual or complex site conditions that trigger requirements from the department regarding this project. **The applicant is responsible for providing all required documents at the intake appointment.** If you have questions about this report or the PASV process, please contact the SDCI Site Development Team at (206) 684-8860.

Note: Any project application associated with the development site can utilize the results from this PASV if the application is accepted by SDCI within 24 months of the above inspection date. After 24 months, the applicant must apply for another PASV. No extensions will be granted.

ECA Mapping Unit and Type

Non-ECA

Earth Disturbance

If excavation has the potential to encroach on adjacent property in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide documentation of consent from the adjacent property owner. Show area of proposed encroachment on the submitted drawings and detailed cross-sections.

If temporary cuts greater than 1h:1v will be required in order to facilitate construction activity, please provide a geotechnical engineer's verification that soil conditions allow cuts to stand unsupported. Include detailed cross sections.

Existing ROW Conditions

MARY AVE NW

Street conditions:

Concrete paving

Asphalt paving

Visible pavement width is: 19LF

Curb conditions:

Curb adjacent to site

Concrete

Approximate curb height: 4" inches

A storm inlet is located <350 ft from the site and prior to crossing a public right of way.

It appears that drainage from that discharge point will remain in the gutter line all the way to the nearest inlet structure, but this assessment is preliminary and it is the responsibility of the applicant to meet all relevant SW code requirements.

West of site

Concrete paving

Downstream inlet prior to crossing sidewalk

Potential Impacts to Seattle Parks Property

No parks property in vicinity

Tree Protection

Existing trees appear to be shown accurately on the site plan

Construction Stormwater Control

All projects with earth disturbance, regardless of size, require temporary and permanent stormwater control in accordance with the Construction Stormwater Control (CSC) Technical Requirements Manual (Director's Rule 17-2017, Volume 2, [Storm Water Manual Vols. 1-5](#)).

Show the following on the [Construction Stormwater Control and Soil Amendment Standard Plan](#):

Place filter fabric, straw bales, straw wattles, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff. Required along the following property lines:

Place compost socks, compost berms, filter fabric fencing, straw bales, straw wattles, or other approved perimeter control BMPs to eliminate construction stormwater runoff.

Show the location of a stabilized construction access to the site; show methods to eliminate uncontrolled conveyance of mud and dirt into the right of way (ROW).

Cover bare soil with compost blankets, straw, mulch, matting, or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

Cover stockpiles and bare slopes with compost blankets, tarps, matting or other approved equal to control construction stormwater runoff.

A First Ground Disturbance inspection is required before any ground disturbance related to this permit, including demolition, tree cutting, clearing, grubbing, and grading. After your permit is issued, schedule an inspection by calling (206) 684-8900 or [online](#).

Inspectors Notes

1) Include earthwork calculations with submittal. Indicate total cut quantity and total fill/backfill quantity.

Seattle City Light Requirements

Street/Alley Requirements

MARY AVE NW

Clearance from Structures: Fourteen (14) feet radial clearance is required between power lines and any part of the permanent structure per Seattle City Light Construction Standard D2-3 (<http://www.seattle.gov/light/engstd/docs2/d2-3.pdf>). Transmission lines require greater clearance. Changes to SCL's system to meet clearances are done at the project's expense. There are overhead high voltage lines along the west side of Mary Ave NW.

Working Clearance: State law requires construction workers, their tools, machinery, equipment, and materials to maintain a 10-foot clearance from power lines. Review WAC 296-24-960 and OSHA 1910.333(c)(3)(i). Transmission lines require greater clearance. To work near power lines, notify SCL well in advance to de-energize and ground the lines, or relocate the lines temporarily. This City Light work is done at the project's expense. City Light may not be able to grant customer requests to temporarily relocate or de-energize the distribution system. There are overhead high voltage lines along the west side of Mary Ave NW.

Submit plans for SCL review. An SCL engineer will require scaled building elevation drawings to determine clearances. Survey information and plans must include property line designations along with all pole and high voltage line locations and elevations.

Other requirements: Underground service to the site will likely be required. No overhead bridled services will be allowed for unit lot subdivisions per City Light Requirements For Electric Service Connection, Chapter 3.11.5.

Easements

SCL blanket power easement over the entire parent parcel is required. Property survey may be required at project's expense. For unit lot subdivisions, a blanket easement is needed.

Conservation

Built Smart Programs - SCL offers developers of 5+ unit multifamily buildings incentives for installation of energy efficiency measures. From insulation and windows to lighting and appliances, take advantage of new technologies and construct a more efficient building with our help. For more information: contact Phoebe Warren at (206)684-3795 or phoebe.warren@seattle.gov.

Notes to Applicant

For new service please contact the Electrical Service Representative for your area several months before new service is required to determine your electric service design and service location. The design of the distribution system to serve the site shall be within the sole discretion of City Light. An Application for Electrical Service must be submitted to Seattle City Light, (<http://www.seattle.gov/light/electricservice/application.asp>). The Electrical Service Representative should also be contacted to coordinate electrical disconnections prior to demolition and temporary power for construction. Your Electrical Service Representative is: Patty Breidenbach, 206-684-4795, patty.breidenbach@seattle.gov. Be advised that it is the applicant's responsibility to seek guidance from City Light. Failure to contact City Light early in the permit process could impact your project's schedule and budget. This responsibility rests solely with the applicant.

SDOT Requirements

Based on the information provided at this time, it appears that no street improvements are **required**. All work in the right-of-way requires a permit. Therefore, if you are planning discretionary improvements you should contact SDOT as soon as possible. Be advised that it is the applicant's responsibility to seek guidance from SDOT Street Use should the scope of the project change, or should the applicant become aware of proposed construction in the ROW. Failure to contact SDOT at your earliest convenience could severely impact your project's scope, schedule and budget. This responsibility rests solely with the applicant.

SPU Requirements

Water Availability

Your project requires a water availability assessment. If the assessment results in water system improvements, you will be required to follow SDOT's Street Improvement Permit Process (see CAM 2200 available at: http://www.seattle.gov/transportation/stuse_docs.htm).

Water Availability Certificate reference number: 20191794

Water Availability Certificate status: Approved with No Changes

Prepared by: Janet Thomas

Existing Water System Information

Proximity of nearest fire hydrant is: 393 feet SE of property. Meets standards.

Water Main:

Size: 8 inches Material: Cast Iron

Class: B

- Standard
- Abutting

Water Main is available to serve in: Mary Avenue NW

Distance of main to W margin of street is 40 feet.

Public ROW width is 60 feet.

Water Service(s):

Size: 3/4" Material: Copper

SOLID WASTE

SPU review of solid waste storage and service plans is **required** for:

- all multifamily, mixed-use and townhouse developments greater than 5 units;
- all commercial and industrial buildings;
- buildings using compactors;
- buildings seeking a storage or access variance from land use code.

Please review the land use and solid waste code for solid waste and the guidelines found in **CAM 1301: Solid Waste Information for Developers** (<http://www.seattle.gov/util/ForBusinesses/Construction/SolidWasteforDevelopers/index.htm>). For the property types listed above, please submit the **Checklist for Developers** to Angela Wallis at angela.wallis@seattle.gov, or call: (206) 684-4166 with questions.

SPU Sewer/Drainage Availability Requirements

Other Requirements

If the scope of your proposed project changes before your SDCI intake appointment or SDOT street improvement plan application, the requirements in this report may change. If there are municipal code and ordinance changes before our SDCI intake appointment, the project must meet the new code requirements. Additional street improvement requirements may be triggered if a permit application for a development project on adjacent property is also undergoing review.

Please be aware that all persons or companies working within the City limits, including all contractors, subcontractors, permit expeditors and other service providers are required to possess a valid City of Seattle business license. This license is required in addition to any other licenses required by

the State of Washington, such as a contractors' license or state business license. For more information about City of Seattle business licenses, please contact inspector Michale Crooks at 206-684-8871, Michale.Crooks@seattle.gov, or visit the [Licensing and Tax Administration Division website](#).